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The Honorable Lee H. Hamilton, Chairman
Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

As you and your Committee Members are aware, I have just assumed my new duties as the Deputy Director for Administration. My place at the weekly current intelligence briefings of your Committee will be taken by the new Associate Deputy Director for Intelligence, John Helgerson. I know John is well known to your Committee already from his past service on Africa, the Middle East, and most recently as Director of the Office of African and Latin American Analysis. He is looking forward to his new assignment, and I know the Committee will find him an articulate and well-informed interlocutor.

For my part, I will miss the opportunity to meet with you and your colleagues on a regular basis to exchange views on substantive intelligence developments. I believe our regular sessions are a very positive contribution to enhancing mutual understanding of key, sensitive issues confronting both the Intelligence Community and the policymaker, and I know I speak for the Director in hoping that such regular exchanges continue.

Meanwhile, I look forward to continuing to deal with the Committee in my new assignment.

Sincerely,

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Deputy Director for Administration

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